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HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1883.

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PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. C. GREGORY STREET & CO., 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTON, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES HENDY & CO., 37, Walbrook, E.C. SAMUEL DEAGAN & CO., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE.—GALLIEN & FERDINAND, 30, Rue Lafayette, Paris.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 21, Park Row.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTON, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Posts generally.—BROWN & BLAIR, San Fran-

SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SAYLE & CO., Square, Singapore. C. HEINRICH & CO., Macao.

CHINA.—MUNRO, MURRAY A. A. DE MELLO & CO., Shanghai. O'CALLAGHAN & CO., Amoy. WILSON, NICHOLS & CO., Foochow. HEDGES & CO., Shanghai.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & WALSH, Yokohama. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.,

Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$3,000,000.
INSTALMENT RECEIVED ON 926,765.62
NEW SHARES, 85,026,765.62

RECAPITAL FUND, \$2,500,000.
INSTALMENT OF PREMIUMS TO 698,336.43
COVRED ON NEW SHARES, 83,198,336.43

Intimations.

NOTICE.

FROM THIS DATE we will also carry on the BUSINESS OF SHARE and GENERAL BROKERS in this Colony.

ECA DA SILVA & CO.,
General Commission Agents
and Auctioneers.

Hongkong, November 30, 1883. 1032

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO COMPANY.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE BRITISH NORTH BORNEO IMMIGRATION OFFICE has been REMOVED to No. 6, Queen's Road Central, lately occupied by Pacific Mail Steamship Company.

FREDERICK RICKARDS,
Hongkong, November 30, 1883. 1033

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE THIRD CALL of £10 Sterling per Share on the 20,000 Shares, NEW ISSUE of this CORPORATION, will fall due on the 30th SEPTEMBER, Currant, at London, Calcutta, Hongkong and Hongkong Registered Shareholders entitled to NEW SHARES, and requested to Pay at the respective Offices, the above Call or its equivalent in the Currency of the above-mentioned places.

PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATES are being issued in Exchange for the 1st Call Receipts, which are to be surrendered to the Bank.

Holders of PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATES, when paying this Call, will please send same to this Office to be endorsed.

The Rate of Exchange for Hongkong is fixed at 3/- 7d. or \$14.70 per Share.

Interest at the Rate of 7% per Annum will be Charged on Call unpaid on the 30th SEPTEMBER.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, September 12, 1883. 527

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

ON and after the 1st OCTOBER, the PRICE OF ICE will be REDUCED to 1½ Cents per pound.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, September 15, 1883. 533

WILLIAM DOLAN,
SAIL-MAKER, & SHIP-CHANDLER,
22, PRAYA CENTRAL.

COTTON DUCKS, HEMP CANVAS,
MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN
OAKUM, LINE BUOYS,
CORK JACKETS,
&c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882. 205

VICTORIA HOTEL,
22, PRAYA CENTRAL.

Proprietors:
DORABEE & HING KEE,
Late Lessees of the HONGKONG HOTEL.

THE Community of Hongkong are respectfully informed that the VICTORIA HOTEL will be OPENED on SATURDAY, the 1st December, 1883.

Hongkong, November 24, 1883. 902

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

QUARANTINE AT EGYPTIAN AND CONTINENTAL PORTS.

ARRANGEMENTS have been made for passing the Company's Steamers through the Suez Canal in QUARANTINE, thus avoiding any detention in EGYPT. The Homeward Ships are now being landed at VENICE, but the QUARANTINE which is still imposed at this and all other CONTINENTAL Ports prevents the landing of Passengers, and those travelling by the Company's Steamers are advised to remain on board the Vessel which calls at MARSSELLA en route—stopping a few hours only to discharge Cargo—and proceed in her direct to LONDON, thus avoiding all QUARANTINE delays and inconveniences.

The Passages of the Steamers will be accelerated, and they will not call at MALTA or GIBRALTAR.

CHAS. J. GAUPP & CO.
Hongkong, November 19, 1883. 944

Intimations.

HOP SHING & CO.,
ENGINEERS, BOILER MAKERS,
COPPER SMITHS, BRASS & IRON
FOUNDRIES, &c.,

WEST POINT IRON WORKS.

HAVING This Day commenced BUSINESS, are ready to undertake Work of the above Descriptions under the Supervision of an EXPERIENCED EUROPEAN.

Orders executed with the utmost despatch and at moderate terms.

24th September, 1883. 611

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A Second and Final BONUS of FIVE per cent. on Contributions, and a DIVIDEND of EIGHTEEN DOLLARS and TWENTY-FIVE CENTS per Share for the year 1883, will be payable on MONDAY, the 22nd INSTANT.

WARRANTS may be had on application at the OFFICE of the Society on and after that date.

By Order of the Board,

Douglas Jones,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, October 22, 1883. 707

IT frequently occurs that from damp or otherwise GOOD TEA is spoilt from the fact of being musty, mouldy, unpalatable to Foreigners' taste and unfit for their use.

This refuse Tea the Lady Superiores of the Italian Convent now comes forward and begs the LADIES and GENTLEMEN, to let her have for her numerous Chinese pupils, for whom the sole beverage of luxury is Tea.

Hongkong, September 10, 1883. 903

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

For Sale.

CHRISTMAS. 1883.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

HAVE RECEIVED and HAVE NOW ON VIEW A LARGE ASSORTMENT

OF CHRISTMAS DELICACIES.

ARTICLES SUITABLE FOR PRESENTS

AND

FANCY GOODS.

Comprising—

Real Turtle Soup.
Salmon Cutlets.
Kippered Salmon.
Herrings la Sardines.
Sardines au Citron.

Herrings in White Wine.
Mackerel in White Wine.
French Truffles.
Assorted English Pâtés.
Pâté de Foie Gras.

Truffled Chickens in Jelly.
French Smoked Lettuce.
Assorted French Pâtés.
Asparagus.
Petits Pois.

Champignons.
Pudding and Sultan Raisins.
Peel for Mincemeat.
Christmas Hams.
Christmas Cakes.

Ripe Puddings.
Port du Salut Cheese.
Gruyère Cheese.
Gorgonzola Cheese.

Double Gloucester Cheese.
French Plums.
Fruits in Noyau and Brandy.
Crystallized Fruits.
Elba's Plums.

Muscatel Raisins.
Barcelona and Brazil Nuts.
Best French Confectionery.
Bonbons and Dragees.
Bonbonnières for Christmas Trees.

French Chocolates.
Newest Confectionery and Crackers.
French and English Toys.
Mechanical Toys.
Electric Toys.

French and English Dolls.
Out-door Games.
Christmas and New Year Cards.

Hongkong, December 3, 1883. 1030

SAYLE & CO.'S SHOW-ROOMS.

WE INTEND MAKING A SPECIAL SHOW
TO-MORROW,
AND FOLLOWING DAY

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S CHEAP TRIMMED AND UNTRIMMED FELT, BEAVER
AND STRAW

HATS.

JUST LANDED, EX "GLENARTNEY."

SAYLE & CO.,
VICTORIA EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, November 21, 1883. 905

Intimations.

NOTICE.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FROM this date, Mr. A. MOIVER will remain Charge of the Company's BUSINESS at this Port.

E. L. WOODIN,
Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, November 23, 1883. 980

A GOOD BOOKKEEPER, who is a few spare hours in the early morning, would be glad to take Charge of a Set of Accounts. Terms very moderate.

Address "M. M. R." c/o China Mail Office.

Hongkong, August 24, 1883. 907

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & CO.'S CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts.....\$18 per 1 doz. Case.

Pints.....\$19 per 2 doz.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.

Hongkong, November 1, 1881. 172

RÖDERICK DHU WHISKY.

Pure, Fine-flavoured Blend, Equal in

Bouquet and Style to the Finest

FRENCH BRANDY.

Sale Agent, Hongkong.

C. L. THEVENIN.

Hongkong, October 10, 1883. 745

FOR SALE CHEAP.

FIVE Hundred to Six Hundred Tons

COKE AND COAL TAR, in lots to

suit, from one ton upwards.

CHOY CHEW,

230, Praya West.

Hongkong, June 18, 1883. 1270

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For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.
No. 53, Queen's Road East,
(OPPOSITE THE COMMISARIAT),
ARE NOW LANDING
FROM AMERICA.

CALIFORNIA
RAKKE
COMPANY'S BISCUITS in 5 lb
tins, and loose.
Soda BISCUITS.
Assorted BISCUITS.

Small HOMINY,
Cracked WHEAT.

OATMEAL.

CORNMEAL.

TOPCAN BUTTER.
Apple BUTTER.
Eastern and California CHEESE.

CODEFISH Boned.
Prime HAMS and BACON.
Engle Brand Condensed MILK.
Family BEERS, 35 lb kegs.
Bacon Ideal SALMON in 6 lb cans.
Cutting's Dessert FRUITS in 24 lb cans.
Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.
Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage

MEAT.
Stuffed PEPPERS.
Assorted SOUPS.
Richardson's & Robbin's Celebrated Potted

MEATS.
Lunch HAMS.
Lamb TONGUES.
Omelette CHOWDER.
Fresh OREGON SALMON.
Dried APPLES.
TOMATOES.
SUCCHETASHE.

Muscat SYRUP.
Golden SYRUP.
LOBSTERS.
OYSTERS.
HONEY.
Assorted JELLIES.
Green CORN.

FAIRBANKS' SCALES.

400 lb. Capacity.

600 lb. "

900 lb. "

1,200 lb. "

CORN BROOMS.
OFFICE HIGH CHAIRS.
AXES AND HATCHETS.

AGATE IRON WARE.
WAFFLE IRONS.
SMOOTHING IRONS.

PAINTS AND OILS.
TALLOW and TAR.
VARNISHES.

DEVÖE'S NONPARIEL
BRILLIANT
KEROSINE OIL,
150° test.

Ex late Arrivals from
ENGLAND.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
S T O R E S,
including:

CHRISTMAS CAKES.
PLUM PUDDINGS.
MINCEMEAT.
ALMONDS and RAISINS.

Crystallized FRUITS.
TESSONNAU'S DESSERT FRUITS.
Pudding RAISINS.
Lante CURRANTS.

Fine YORK HAMS.

PICNIC TONGUES.

PATE DE FOIE GRAS.

SAVORY PATES.

FRENCH PLUMS.
BEAUMS.
INFANTS FOOD.
CORN FLOUR.

SPARTAN
COOKING STOVES.

HITCHCOCK HOUSE LAMP.

PERFECTION STUDENT LAMP.

CLARETS—

CHATEAU MARGAUX.

CHATEAU LA TOUR, pints & quarts.

RED GRAVES, "

BREAKFAST CLARET, "

SHERRIES & PORT—

SACOCHE MANZANILLA & AMON-

TILLADO.

SACOCHE OLD INVALID PORT

(1849).

HUNT'S PORT.

BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &c.—

1 and 3 STAR HENNESSY'S BRANDY.

BRUQUE DUBOUCHÉ & CO.'S BRANDY.

KENNET OLD BOURBON WHISKY.

KINAHAN'S LL WHISKY.

BOBON OLD TOM.

E. & J. BROWN'S IRISH WHISKY.

RORN'S LIME JUICE CORDIAL.

NOELLY PRAT & CO.'S VERMOUTH.

GRASSE'S GINGER BRANDY.

EASTERN CIDER.

CHARTREUSE.

MARASCHINO.

CUREACAO.

ANGOSTURA, BOKEE'S and ORANGE

BITTERS.

&c., &c., &c.

BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON and SAUNDERS, pints and quarts.

GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. & J. BROWN, pints and quarts.

DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the Gallon.

ALE and PORTER, in hogsheads.

SPECIALLY SELECTED

C I G A R E S.

Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in 5 catty Boxes.

BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents p. lb.

MILNER'S PATENT FIRE-PROOF

SAFES, CASH and PAPER

BOXES, at Manufacturer's Prices.

Intimations.

Chinese Imperial Government Eight Per Cent. Loan of 1881.

FIRST DRAWING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that in conformity with the stipulation contained in the Bonds of this Loan, the following numbers of Bonds to be paid off at Par, at the Office of the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, in Hongkong, on the 30th day of November, 1883, when the Interest thereon will cease to be payable, were this day Drawn at the Office of the said Corporation in Hongkong, in the presence of Mr. George Robert Johnston, Chief Accountant of the said Corporation, and of the undersigned Notary.

NUMBERS OF BONDS DRAWN.

1096 Bonds Nos.:-

8	855	1766	2047	3527	4408	5287	6167	7047	7928
14	804	1774	2055	3534	4415	5295	6176	7055	7936
21	803	1783	2063	3543	4424	5301	6183	7064	7944
29	910	1791	2071	3540	4430	5309	6191	7071	7950
34	910	1795	2070	3550	4437	5317	6198	7080	7958
45	927	1800	2085	3566	4440	5326	6202	7088	7964

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THE CHINA MAIL.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

The next ENGLISH MAIL, by the P. & O. Co.'s steamer *Pekin*, may be expected to arrive here on or about Saturday next, the 8th instant.

The next AMERICAN MAIL, for the P. M. S. steamer *City of Tokio*, may be expected here on or about Thursday the 6th December.

The S. S. Co.'s steamer *Orestes* left Singapore on the 20th ultimo; due here on or about the 2nd instant.

The S. S. *Leander* left Singapore on the 27th ultimo; due here on or about the 3rd instant.

The P. & O. S. S. *Pekin*, with the next English mail, left Singapore for Hongkong on Sunday, the 2nd Dec., at noon.

The S.S. *Toonan* went to the Cosmopolitan Dock, and the S.S. *Taiwan* left the Kowloon Dock, to-day.

The British barque *Anglesea*, Captain Scott, in ballast, arrived at Manila on the 28th ultimo, from Nagasaki.

Inspector Grey, of the Police Force, returned to Hongkong in the steamship *Orestes* to-day, after an absence of some months.

We learn that Kennedy, the man who attempted to commit suicide in a brothel, appears to-day to be on a fair way to recovery.

8,507 proof gallons of spirits were manufactured at the China Sugar Refining Company's works here during the quarter ending 27th November.

THERE were several mistakes in the list of invitations issued for St. Andrew's Ball, published by us on Saturday, but these errors, unavoidable under the circumstances, will be corrected for the mail issue.

SOME of the sugar on board the British steamer *Island* has been salvaged and taken to Manila by the steamer *Servante*. The steamer *Orpheus* is said to be lying by the wreck for some purpose.

THE case in which a ricksha coolie, charged with picking a marine's pocket, was remanded to allow a medical examination of an alleged injury to his foot which he asserted rendered it impossible for him to run off as described, was concluded to-day, defendant being sentenced to one year's hard labour. Another Chinese, charged with the same offence, was sentenced to two years hard labour, as he had been previously convicted.

THE Bazaar which took place yesterday in aid of the funds of St. Francisco de Paul, was a very successful one, about \$700 being realised. At 1 o'clock H. E. the Governor of Macao entered the Hall, accompanied by his A. D. C. and Consuls Loureiro and Romano, and was received by His Lordship Raimondi and the Bazaar Committee. H. E. Senhor Roza opened the Bazaar by making a short but eloquent appeal on behalf of the institution; and expressing his pleasure at being present at such a gathering. He left to return again, which he did about 3 p.m., in company with Lady and Miss Bowen. The ladies who presided at the stalls were:—Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. and Miss C. J. Goncalves, Mrs. A. H. dos Remedios, Mrs. C. J. da Rocha, Mrs. G. Dabenberg, Mrs. L. A. da Rosa, Mrs. and Miss A. F. Alves, and Miss Alfonso.

AN inquest was opened at the Civil Hospital to-day, before Mr. H. E. Wedderburn, and a jury composed of Messrs. Mac. G. J. Grote, F. F. Christian and W. L. Scott, on the body of a Chinese woman, named Loung Asam, who was taken to the Tung Wah Hospital on the 20th ultimo in a critical condition, if not dead, due to what seemed to be an overdose of opium. Dr. Marques testified that he examined the body when it was brought to the Civil Hospital. The lungs and spleen were slightly congested. There were about ten ounces of a bronze fluid in the stomach, and marks of a blackish powder resembling dress opium.

One of the Tung wah Hospital doctors gave an account of the woman's admission to that place. She was dead when she arrived, and the cause of death appeared to be apoplexy. After waiting some time for the people of the house in which deceased lived, who had not obeyed their subpoenas, the case was adjourned until this day week at the Magistrate, at 2.30 p.m., as in addition to their evidence, an analysis of the contents of the contents of the deceased's stomach was considered necessary.

There was a very good attendance at the City Hall on Saturday night last—despite the fact that St. Andrew's Ball had been held on the previous evening—the attraction being the performance, by the Loftus Troupe, of H. J. Byron's celebrated comedy "Our Boys," which enjoyed the longest and most successful run in the City of London of any production of the English Stage, having been played at the "Vauxhall" over fifteen hundred consecutive nights. The Loftus troupe have already earned for themselves a reputation in the colony, and they well sustained it in this, the first comedy they have yet presented. A good company will always draw here, and we do not remember a visit from any troupe where so much care and attention have been given to details. Some of the ladies' dresses must have almost excited feelings of envy among the fairer portion of the au-

dience, the more so as they are really expensive works of art. The performances never once flagged, and each point was heartily applauded. The plot must be too well known to our readers to need more than a brief outline. The two "boys," one the son of a country magnate, and the other of a retired butlerman, offend their parents by insisting on becoming engaged to the wrong sweethearts, whereupon their fathers turn them out of doors in anger. They get very down in the world, and scrape out a hand to mouth kind of existence. The fathers turn up, at their lodgings, in their absence, and are so overcome by the signs of poverty that they give the maid-of-all-work envelopes, with money, to hand to the "boys." She takes the parents for bullies, and refuses indignantly to do anything of the kind. The sweethearts also find out their loves' garret, and finally a general reconciliation takes place.

As Sir George Champernowne, Mr. D'Angelis

put on a little too much stiffness. In propensity he was all that could be desired, but his action was rather constrained.

Tablet Champs was capitally performed by Mr. Barber, who was the very picture of the empty-headed "duke." The witlessness of his remarks and the way in which they were delivered, brought down the house. Mr. Oakland noted the vulgar old butlerman to the life, and scored another success. Mr. Oakland completely surprised us in his impersonation of the character. We had expected from his appearances in the other performances given by the Company that he would be unable to do full justice to a part requiring low comedy powers of an inferior order; but this idea was entirely dispelled by his inventive and splendid acting. Mr. O'Brien, as young Charles Middlewick, was not all that he ought to have been. To come to the ladies, the palm must be given to little Miss Dolly Loftus, in whom as *Bessie*, the dirty little drab, like Dickens' Marchioness, it was difficult to recognize the elegantly-dressed young lady who received such attention at the St. Andrew's Ball. 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China Fire Ins...	20,000	\$ 100	\$ 20	\$ 600,000	\$ 106,366.49	\$ 20	\$ 100 "
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.							
H.K. C. and M.	8,000	\$ 100	\$ 75	\$ 200,000	\$ 41,320.05	6%	\$ 120 "
Indo-China S.	120,000	Tl. 10	Tl. 10	Dabit.	25%	dis.	
China & Manilla S. C. Co., Ltd.	3,500	\$ 100	all	...	6%	prin.	
MISCELLANEOUS.							
H.K. & Wh'poa Dock...	10,000	\$ 120	\$ 125	\$ 18,000	\$ 2,063.04	4%	\$ 197 "
H.K. and China Gas Co...	5,000	Tl. 10	Tl. 75	Tl. 53,180	Tl. 1,144.18	...	\$ 80 p. share
H.Kong Hotel...	2,000	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 30,000	\$ 55	\$ 150 "	
H.Kong Sugar Co...	9,000	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 58,500	\$ 8	\$ 133 "	
H.Kong Ice Co...	1,250	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 15,250	\$ 687.00	\$ 12	\$ 105 "
H.Kong Bakery...	600	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 4,000	\$ 253.45	\$ 5	\$ 82 "
Luzon Sugar Co...	7,000	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 4,000	\$ 323	\$ 5	\$ 81 "
RATES OF PAYABLE.							
Chi. Imp., 1874	6,270	Tl. 100	all	Interest	8%	June 30	1874
" " 1875	16,040	Tl. 100	all	Interest	8%	Feb. 23	Aug. 31
" " 1875	3,897	Tl. 500	all	Interest	8%	April & Oct.	
" " 1881	8,665	Tl. 500	all	Interest	8%	Jan 16 & Dec. 10	par.
Sugar Duties, 1880...	600	\$ 500	all	Interest	8%	June & Dec.	2% prem.

* For 6 months to Sept. 1st, 1882. — To Dividend for 1882 and Bonus of 25 per cent. — To 30th April 1883. — For year 1881. — For half year ended 30th June 1883.

EDWARD GEORGE, Share Broker.

Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised January 1st, 1882.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are for Letters per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, treble, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets of papers may be sent at Book Rate. Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, as is done in such Pattern Packets.

PARCELS.—The public is reminded that there is no such thing as Parcel Post to Europe, &c. Much trouble and disappointment is caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable articles through the Post. Every Circular Article of Dress, Fancy Work, and similar presents are continually being refused, the sender having often spent more in Postage than would have paid the freight of such articles. No refund can be made on such parcels of the value of stamps obliterated before the nature of the contents was discovered.

The sender of any Registered Article may accompany it with a Return Receipt paying an extra fee of 5 cents.

The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers to Foreign Post Offices is 4 lbs.

Parcels for such offices are limited to 8 ounces, and must not exceed these dimensions: 8 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches.

Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, all foreign possessions in Asia, Japan, W. Africa, Egypt, Mauritius, all N. America, Mexico, Salvador, Brazil, Peru, Chile, Venezuela, The Argentine Republic, Jamaica, Trinidad, Guyana, Honduras, Bermuda, Labrador, Hawaii, with all Danish, French, Netherlands, Portuguese, and Spanish Colonies.

Constituted now in the Union.—The chief countries not in the Union are the Australian Group, and S. Africa.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—Letters, 10 cents per 1/2 oz.

Post Cards, 3 cents each.

Registration, 10 cents.

Newspapers, 2 cents each.

Books, Patterns and Com. Papers, 1/2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on redirected correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 10; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2; Via Gulf, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2.

Natal, the Cape, St. Helena, Ascension, Bolivia, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 5; Books and Patterns, 5.

LOCAL POSTAGE.

General Local Rates:

Hongkong, 1 cent per 1/2 oz.

Macau, 1 cent per 1/2 oz.

Japan, 2 cents per 1/2 oz.

China, 2 cents per 1/2 oz.

India, 2 cents per 1/2 oz.

Portuguese Philip.

For H. B. M. Ships' tonnage, displacements and effective horse powers are given according to H. M. Navy List.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Extracts of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commanding at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *a*, near the Kowloon shore *b*, and those in the body of the Harbour or midway between each shore are marked *c*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

1. From Croft Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the P. and O. Co.'s Factory.
3. From P. and O. Co.'s Factory to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Pedder's Wharf.
6. From Pedder's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

SHIPPING IN CHINA, JAPAN, PHILIPPINES, AND SIAM WATERS.

WHAMPoa.

Vessel's Name Flag & Rig. Destination.

Carl Ritter Ger. bar. Saigon

Er. Kanig Ger. bar. Shanghai

Jacqueline St. Ieou

Fah. bar. Shanghai

CANTON.

Hui Yuan Chi. str. Shanghai

Triumphant Gor. str. Saigon

Yangtze Brit. str. Shanghai

CANTON.

Klung Chow Yatad

CANTON.

MAGAO.

Kiung Chow

Yatad

CANTON.